

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Decision On Appeal mailed January 28, 2005, claims 1-6, 9-13 and 15 are canceled. Claim 16 is now active in this application. No new matter has been added.

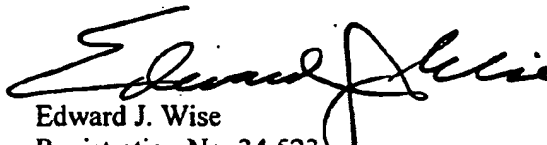
CONCLUSION

Accordingly, as the only claim now active in this application is claim 16 and in the Decision On Appeal mailed January 28, 2005 the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences has reversed the Examiner's rejection of claim 16, it is urged that the application is in condition for allowance, an indication of which is respectfully solicited. If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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